



## CITY OF LODI

## COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

AGENDA TITLE: Request From San Joaquin County Asking City of Lodi to Provide Sewer Service to County Service Area 31 (CSA 31) Located at Thornton Road and Highway 12

MEETING DATE: April 17, 1991

PREPARED BY: Public Works Director

RECOMMENDED ACTION: That the City Council deny the County's request and reaffirm the City's position on not serving outside the City limits.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The Lodi Municipal Code prohibits the City of Lodi from providing sewer service and treating sewage from outside the City limits. This has been a City policy as far back as can be researched. The City Code reads as follows:

**13.12.150 Connections outside city.**

No discharge from facilities or properties outside the limits of the city shall be allowed into the sewerage system. (Ord. 1501 § 1 (part), 1990)

In February 1981, the City received a request from a firm proposing to develop a roadside service at the southeast quadrant of Thornton Road and Highway 12. The request was made to the City Council asking that the sewer ordinance be changed in order for their sewage to be received and treated by the City's White Slough Water Pollution Control Facility. The decision of the City Council was to not change the ordinance and denied the request.

In March 1983, the City received a similar request from the California Department of Transportation asking the City to provide sewer service to a proposed rest stop being planned for the I-5 offramp at Highway 12. The City denied this request based on the recent Council action and the present sewer ordinance.

In December of 1986, the City received a similar request from San Joaquin County asking the City to provide sewer service and sewage treatment for their proposed CSA 31. At that time, the City of Lodi was in the planning stages of the current expansion project and indicated to the County that we would consider taking this back to the City Council if they (the County) would agree to paying our consultant to study this request. It was felt there were differences between this request and the original request by the private development firm in 1981. The differences were as follows:

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

*Thomas A. Peterson*

THOMAS A. PETERSON  
City Manager



CC-1

1. A public agency was making the request and not a private developer.
2. The timing was such that the design capacity could be increased so facility life would not be reduced because of development of CSA 31.
3. The City also was requiring that the County's CSA 31 be expanded to include all of the developable roadside service zoning at Thornton and Highway 12.

Staff had the same major concerns then as we do now but felt the County did have the right, because of the above differences, to make this request to the City Council.

Attached as Exhibit A is an abbreviated chronological listing of the major transmittals and requests related to this subject since December of 1986. This exhibit shows the initial request was withdrawn and since that time the request has been reactivated several times. Recently the Regional Water Quality Control Board has required the County to receive a formal position from the City of Lodi before they (the Regional Board) can consider approving alternative ways of providing sewage treatment to CSA 31.

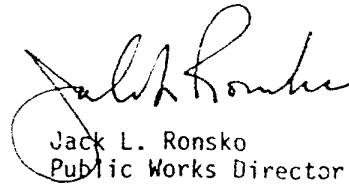
#### Staff Recommendation

It is the staff's recommendation that the County's request for sewage service be denied. This recommendation is based on the following:

1. Serving outside the City limits would be precedent-setting. We have already received informal requests for sewage service from other property owners in the area and adjacent to our sewer outfall line. Developers have already purchased land near I-5 and north of Highway 12. The City has had requests from developers holding land south of our facility. These requests were turned down.
2. Loss of facility life. The attached Exhibit B shows the projected flows based on a 2% residential growth rate. With the completion of our expansion in October of this year, it will have a capacity of 8.5 million gallons per day (mgd). It is estimated that the 8.5 mgd capacity will provide us with a 16-year life. The ultimate flow of CSA 31 is estimated at 0.25 mgd. If the City elects to serve CSA 31, the facility life will be decreased by 1½ to 2 years.
3. The City will experience a loss of control over land use and types of sewer flows. Within the City limits, we have strict control over building, zoning and land use. We would not have this control in CSA 31. Where we have a problem with sewage from any one commercial or industrial firm in the City of Lodi, we can simply shut the water off. In CSA 31, the County would be responsible for water shut offs. The County has indicated they would perform this function at our request.

CSA 31  
April 17, 1991  
Page 3

FUNDING: Not applicable.



Jack L. Ronsko  
Public Works Director

JLR/mt

Attachments

cc: Water/Wastewater Superintendent  
San Joaquin County, Attention: Manuel Lopez

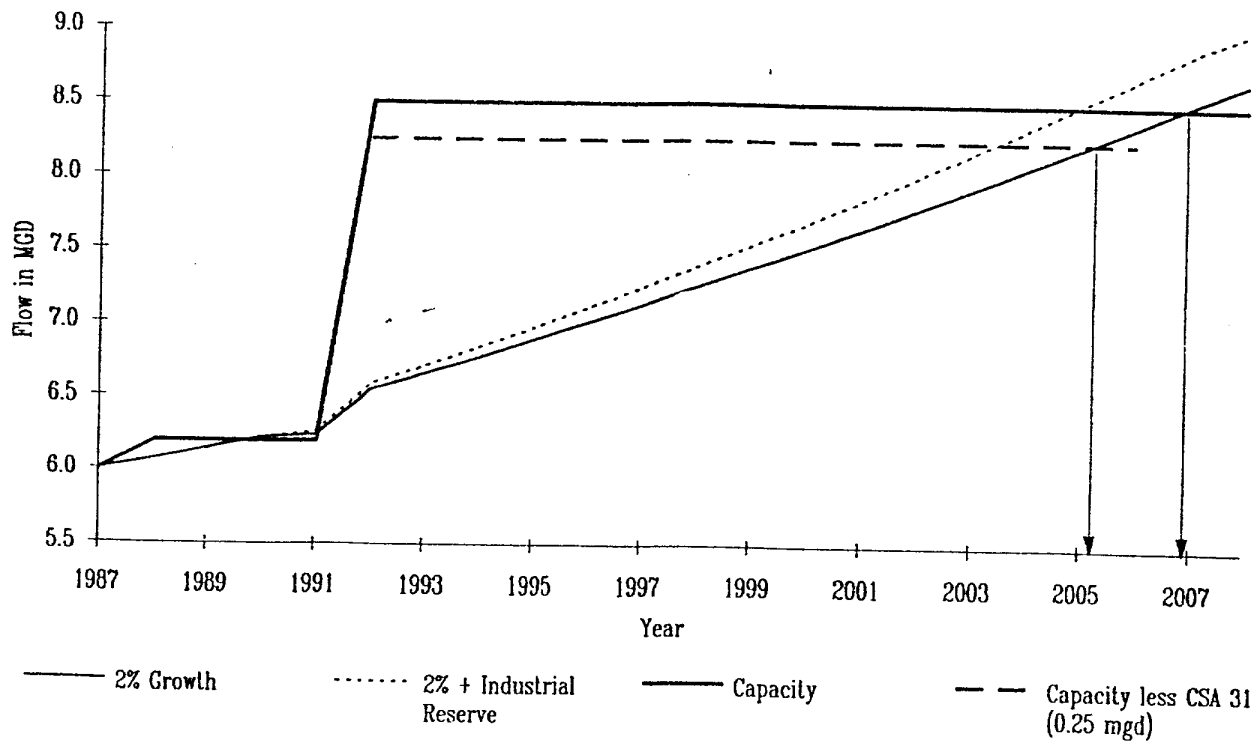
COUNTY SERVICE AREA NO. 31  
RECAP OF MAJOR CORRESPONDENCE

*Exhibit A*

- 12/23/86 - Letter from County requesting City to treat effluent from CSA No. 31
- 2/6/87 - Letter to County indicating what was needed to take request to City Council
- 2/11/87 - Memo to Council informing them of request and our reply
- 1/3/88 - Study received from Black and Veatch
- 1/8/88 - Letter to County transmitting study  
↑  
8 months - no response  
↓
- 9/23/88 - Letter from County asking City for guidance
- 10/11/88 - Letter to County transmitting our letter of 1/8/88  
↑  
5 months  
↓
- 3/24/89 - Letter from County indicating developer's desire is to construct package plant and not tie into City
- 9/7/89 - Letter from County now requesting they want to tie into City's system
- 9/21/89 - Letter to County indicating request would be agendized if County was in agreement with City conditions
- 10/4/89 - Letter from County to Developer indicating item would be agendized for 11/1/89 and he must submit information previously requested and assure County they can meet City conditions
- 10/24/89 - Letter to County confirming they want item pulled from agenda since they have not heard from Developer since early September
- 2/19/91 - Letter from County again requesting to tie into City's system
- 2/28/91 - Letter from City asking County to agree to recommendations in 1988 Black and Veatch Study
- 3/15/91 - Letter from County agreeing to Black and Veatch recommendations

CSA31/TXTW.02M

WSWPCF Flow Projections



WSEXP2.XLC

Exhibit B